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USE IN IMPLANTABLE DEVICES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Via EFS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2008, in which pending claims 1-114 were subject to restriction. Applicants request amendment to the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks including Applicants' elections begin on page 19 of this paper.